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FORMER DOR EMPLOYEE PLEADS GUILTY TO CREDIT CARD FRAUD

ATLANTA—Former Department of Revenue employee John Richardson of Lithonia, Georgia, pleaded guilty on June 22 to one count of Financial Transaction Card Fraud in DeKalb County Superior Court. Richardson was sentenced by Judge Cynthia J. Becker to two years' probation under the First Offender Act, thirty days in jail (allowed to be served on weekends), a \$1,000 fine, 100 hours of community service, and restitution to the Department of Revenue.

Richardson and four co-defendants had been indicted on seventeen counts by a DeKalb County Grand Jury on December 21, 2010.

Charges against the other four defendants, Marcus Britt, Micah Decuir, William Gladney, and Billy Evans, remain pending before Judge Becker.

The investigation of the case was conducted by Special Agent Michael L. Bailey of the Department's Office of Special Investigations. Representing the State of Georgia and the Department was Daniel A. Hiatt, Assistant Attorney General-Special Prosecutions Division.